

ARCS: 292-30 File: MSD-2012-01130

January 15, 2013

Sent via email:

Dear

Re: Request for Access to Records
Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act (FOIPPA)

I am writing further to your request received by the Ministry of Social Development. Your request is for:

Records that relate to the so called Dogwood project and/or where young people were housed (Qualicum or Tillicum Lodge, or other motel facility), including photos, videos (highest resolution formats available), reports by social workers, medical staff, educators, dialogue with Immigration authorities, decisions received from the Immigration Review Board and other relevant courts, tribunals relating to the future status of Chinese refugee applicants, memorandum on the administration of the program; a list of all passengers on the second of the four ships to arrive in the so called Black Dragon also known as the Hueg Ryong Pusan No 705, any reports on the two fatalities from this vessel; Any written reports by staff regarding the young people under their care and contacts that staff may have had with the refugees after they left their care; Any document that speaks to the whatever happened to them issue; Any files that speak to the young people placed with foster parents or who collected welfare payments/housing allowances. The timeframe is January 1, 1999 to December 31, 2001.

Please find enclosed a copy of the records located in response to your request. These records are provided to you in their entirety. Your file is now closed.

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Fax: 250-387-9843

These records will be published on the BC Government's Open Information website a minimum of 72 hours after it is released electronically or a minimum of five business days after it has been released by mail in hardcopy. To find out more about Open Information, please access the Open Information website at: http://www.openinfo.gov.bc.ca/ibc/index.page

If you have any questions regarding your request, please contact Adrian Chalifour, the analyst assigned to your request, at 250-387-1422. This number can be reached toll-free by calling from Vancouver, 604-660-2421, or from elsewhere in BC, 1-800-663-7867 and asking to be transferred to 250-387-1422.

You have the right to ask the Information and Privacy Commissioner to review this decision. I have enclosed information on the review and complaint process.

Sincerely,

Vicki Hudson, Manager Justice / Social Team

Information Access Operations

Enclosures

How to Request a Review with the Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner

If you have any questions regarding your request please contact the analyst assigned to your file. The analyst's name and telephone number are listed in the attached letter.

Pursuant to section 52 of the *Freedom of Information and Protection of Privacy Act* (FOIPPA), you may ask the Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner to review any decision, act, or failure to act with regard to your request under FOIPPA.

Please note that you have 30 business days to file your review with the Office of the Information and Privacy Commissioner. In order to request a review please write to:

Information and Privacy Commissioner
PO Box 9038 Stn Prov Govt
4th Floor, 947 Fort Street
Victoria BC V8W 9A4
Telephone 250-387-5629 Fax 250-387-1696

If you request a review, please provide the Commissioner's Office with:

- 1. A copy of your original request;
- 2. A copy of our response; and
- 3. The reasons or grounds upon which you are requesting the review.